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This bulletin contains particulars of the numbers of employed wage and salary earners (referred to in the tables as "employees"), unemployed persons and job vacancies registered.

Seasonally adjusted statistics appear in Tables 1, 3 and 9-12. The methods used in seasonally adjusting these statistics are explained in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators*, 1972 (Reference No. 1.10).

Preliminary estimates of employees are published each month in *Employed Wage and Salary Earners : Preliminary Statement* (Reference No. 6.12).

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1. EMPLOYED WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS

The figures in this section generally relate only to civilian wage and salary earners, not the total labour force: they therefore exclude employers, self-employed persons and unpaid helpers. Also excluded, because of the inadequacy of current data, are wage and salary earners in agriculture and private domestic service. For the sake of brevity, wage and salary earners are referred to in the tables as "employees". Defence forces are included in Table 1.

2. The estimates in Tables 1 to 6, except those relating to government employees and defence forces, are based on comprehensive data (referred to herein as "benchmarks") derived for the purpose from the population census of June 1966. Month-to-month changes shown by current returns (see below) are linked to the benchmark data to derive the monthly estimates.

3. Although the series measure reasonably well the short-term trends in employment in the defined field, they may be less reliable for longer-term measurement. There are conceptual differences between benchmark and current data, and changes in such factors as labour turnover, multiple jobholding and part-time working all affect the trend over longer periods.

Concepts and definitions

4. Basically the concepts and definitions applicable to these estimates are those which were adopted at the 1966 census. The latter conformed closely to the recommendations of the Eighth International Conference of Labour Statisticians. At the census the following questions were asked in respect of all persons fifteen years of age and over:

"Did the person have a job or business of any kind last week (even though he may have been temporarily absent from it)?"

"Did the person do any work at all last week for payment or profit?"

Provided he had not been temporarily laid off by his employer without pay for the whole of the week, a person who answered "yes" to either of these questions was classified as employed. Persons in this category who were stated to be "working for wages or salary", except members of the defence forces, persons employed in agriculture or private domestic service, and crews of overseas ships have been included in the benchmarks for the current series.

5. Current data supplied by reporting enterprises or establishments generally refer to persons on the payroll for the last pay-period in each month. Persons who are on paid leave or who work during part of the pay-period and are unemployed or on strike during the rest of the period are generally counted as employed. Those not shown on employers' payrolls because they are on leave without pay, on strike or stood down for the entire period are excluded.

6. Government employees comprise not only administrative employees, but also all other employees of government bodies (Commonwealth, State, local and semi-government) on services such as railways, road transport, banks, post office, air transport, education (including universities), broadcasting, radio and T.V., police, public works, factories, departmental hospitals and institutions, migrant hostels, etc.

Current data

7. The data needed to derive the estimates for periods subsequent to the benchmark date (June 1966) are obtained from three main sources, namely, (a) current payroll tax returns; (b) current returns from government bodies; and (c) some other current returns of employment (e.g. for hospitals); the balance, i.e. unrecorded private employment, is estimated. At June 1966 recorded employment obtained from the foregoing sources accounted for about 85 per cent of the total number of employees in the industries covered, as determined by the census.

8. Payroll tax returns are lodged at present by all employers paying more than \$400 a week in wages (other than certain Commonwealth Government bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and other similar organisations specifically exempted under the Commonwealth and State Pay-roll Tax Acts of 1971).

Industry

9. The industry classification used throughout the series is that of the population census of June 1966. The June 1966 figures were derived from particulars recorded for individuals on population census schedules, while the estimated monthly changes are derived mainly from reports supplied by employers, relating to enterprises or establishments. Because the two sources differ in some cases in the reporting of industry, the industry dissection of the census totals was adjusted to conform as closely as possible to an establishment reporting basis. For this reason, and because crews of overseas ships were excluded from the benchmark figures, the estimates for June 1966 differ from those published in census bulletins (e.g. No. 9.6) which show particulars of the occupational status and industry of the population, and in other publications which contain population census results.

Adoption of new benchmarks and revision of current estimates

10. As results from each successive population census become available it is customary to derive from them new benchmarks for the monthly employment series, and to revise the published estimates for all periods subsequent to the date of the previous census. The intention to utilise the 1971 census results in this way has been expressed in these explanatory notes on a number of occasions.

11. Preliminary results of the 1971 census, based on a sample of census collector's districts, were published in November 1972, in a series of bulletins entitled *Characteristics of the Population and Dwellings - Sample Estimates* (Reference No. 2.82). Indications from these sample estimates are that if, as on previous occasions, the census totals were to be used as benchmarks for the employment series, the level of the monthly employment estimates would have to be significantly reduced.

12. However, evidence from census post-enumeration surveys indicates that the filling in of census questionnaires by householders tends to identify a smaller number of persons as being in the labour force than do other methods of measurement (e.g. household surveys conducted by personal interview), and that components of the total labour force, such as employed wage and salary earners, tend to be affected in the same way. This tendency increased between the 1966 and 1971 censuses.

13. Comparison between census results and the monthly estimates of employed wage and salary earners is affected not only by the discrepancy referred to above but also by the accumulation of errors in the intercensal employment estimates and differences in the methods of industry classification. The new Australian Standard Industrial Classification was adopted in coding the industry of the population at the 1971 census, whereas in the monthly estimates the 1966 census classification is still used. (See paragraph 9 above.)

14. When final census figures become available new benchmarks for the employment series will be established, by the use of census and other relevant data, and the current series from July 1966 will be revised. The revision is expected to reduce the level of the current estimates.

15. In the meantime the monthly estimates will continue to be published on the present basis, since they are regarded as sufficiently accurate for the measurement of short-term movements. However, caution should be exercised if they are used as indicators of longer-term change.

Estimates for earlier periods

16. Detailed industry figures for each State and Australia and the government employment series for the period June 1966 to June 1971 were published in two special bulletins (Reference No. 6.23) issued on 24 April 1970, and 11 January 1972.

17. Estimates for the period July 1966 to June 1971 will be revised when results of the 1971 population census become available. In due course the estimates for periods prior to June 1966 will be revised, but on a basis comparable with that of the 1961 census benchmarks, the information needed to revise these benchmarks on the 1966 census basis not being available.

Discontinuity of series

18. Estimates for the period June 1966 to date are not comparable with those for earlier periods, because of (a) the adoption of a new definition of the labour force in the 1966 population census, from which the benchmarks for the current series were derived and (b) the inclusion of full-blood Aborigines. The new definition resulted in the inclusion of a considerable number of part-time employees (mostly females) who had previously been excluded.

19. At the 1971 population census all trainee teachers were for the first time classified as not in the labour force. Previously those enrolled at government teachers colleges (and in some cases at other institutions also) had been included. Trainees affected by the reclassification are now excluded from estimates of employees, and in consequence there is a break in the series between June and July 1971, the numbers of males and females excluded in July 1971 being approximately 7,000 and 17,000 respectively. Revised figures for the period July to December 1971 were first published in the December 1971 issue of this bulletin.

Larger private factories

20. The figures in Tables 7 and 8 relate to employees of the majority of the larger factories in the private sector. Further particulars of the collection are given on page 10.

NOTE. 1. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.

2. The following symbols mean:

..	Nil or less than 50 persons.
r	Figure or series revised since previous issue.
—	Break in continuity of series (where drawn across a column between two consecutive figures).
†	Affected by industrial dispute.

TABLE 1. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES AND DEFENCE FORCES : AUSTRALIA
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(‘000)

Month	Civilian employees						Defence forces (b)			Total		
	Males		Females		Persons		Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
	Orig.	Seas. adj. (a)	Orig.	Seas. adj. (a)	Orig.	Seas. adj. (a)						
1971 —												
February	2,956.2	2,946.1	1,508.9	1,503.5	4,465.1	4,449.8	80.9	2.7	83.6	3,037.1	1,511.6	4,548.7
1972 —												
January (c)	2,959.7	2,958.7	1,506.8	1,516.2	4,466.5	4,474.7	75.8	2.8	78.6	3,035.5	1,509.6	4,545.1
February	2,968.9	2,959.3	1,522.9	1,518.5	4,491.8	4,478.0	78.0	2.8	80.8	3,046.9	1,525.7	4,572.6
March	2,974.9	2,966.3	1,528.0	1,519.3	4,502.9	4,485.0	77.9	2.7	80.6	3,052.8	1,530.7	4,583.5
April	2,975.1	2,971.1	1,532.4	1,529.2	4,507.5	4,500.5	78.8	2.8	81.6	3,053.9	1,535.2	4,589.1
May	2,976.0	2,973.1	1,534.8	1,533.9	4,510.8	4,507.0	78.4	2.9	81.3	3,054.4	1,537.7	4,592.1
June	2,972.9	2,974.5	1,534.1	1,536.6	4,507.0	4,510.7	78.3	2.8	81.1	3,051.2	1,536.9	4,588.1
July	2,964.7	2,971.3	1,534.0	1,540.5	4,498.7	4,511.6	80.3	2.9	83.2	3,045.0	1,536.9	4,581.9
August	r2,962.5	r2,971.7	1,537.4	1,545.7	r4,499.9	r4,517.7	78.6	3.0	81.6	r3,041.1	1,540.4	r4,581.5
September	r2,967.1	r2,977.8	1,545.5	1,551.8	r4,512.6	r4,529.4	78.5	3.0	81.5	r3,045.6	1,548.5	4,594.1
October	r2,971.8	r2,983.6	1,556.1	1,558.3	r4,527.9	r4,542.0	79.4	2.9	82.3	r3,051.2	1,559.0	r4,610.2
November	r2,995.4	r2,996.4	1,576.7	1,567.6	r4,572.1	r4,565.1	78.5	3.0	81.5	r3,073.9	1,579.7	r4,653.6
December	r3,005.1	r2,990.4	1,574.5	1,565.5	r4,579.6	r4,555.8	76.3	2.9	79.2	r3,081.4	1,577.4	r4,658.8
1973 —												
January	r3,004.2	r3,003.1	r1,562.0	r1,571.7	r4,566.2	r4,574.4	74.3	3.0	77.3	r3,078.5	r1,565.0	r4,643.5
February	3,021.4	3,011.6	1,584.4	1,579.8	4,605.8	4,591.7	72.6	2.9	75.5	3,094.0	1,587.3	4,681.3

(a) The methods used in seasonally adjusting these statistics are explained in *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1972* (Reference No. 1.10). (b) Permanent defence forces in Australia and overseas. Includes national servicemen enlisted in the Regular Army Supplement. Where the intake occurred at the end of the month, national servicemen have been included in the defence forces figures in the following month. (c) From July 1971 excludes trainee teachers, some of whom were classified as wage and salary earners for earlier periods (see paragraph 19 on page 3).

TABLE 2. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : STATES AND TERRITORIES
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(‘000)

Month	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T. (a)	Australia
MALES									
1971 —									
February	1,109.7	818.0	382.0	271.7	227.4	89.5	20.3	37.7	2,956.2
1972 —									
February (b)	1,107.0	819.3	392.6	271.2	229.0	89.3	20.8	39.6	2,968.9
August	r1,099.4	819.4	402.0	269.6	221.4	88.9	20.8	41.0	r2,962.5
September	r1,099.4	823.1	402.4	270.1	221.7	88.6	20.5	41.5	r2,967.1
October	r1,100.9	825.5	r401.8	271.4	221.7	88.1	20.6	41.8	r2,971.8
November	r1,111.1	832.4	r402.9	273.1	223.7	89.1	20.7	42.5	r2,995.4
December	r1,114.8	836.9	r400.7	275.7	224.7	89.8	20.1	42.5	r3,005.1
1973 —									
January	r1,110.6	r835.3	r403.8	276.9	r224.7	90.3	20.0	42.6	r3,004.2
February	1,117.3	836.9	407.0	279.4	227.1	90.4	20.5	42.9	3,021.4
FEMALES									
1971 —									
February	569.2	440.2	179.5	135.6	113.6	40.5	8.2	22.0	1,508.9
1972 —									
February (b)	573.1	442.1	182.9	136.3	116.9	39.8	9.0	22.9	1,522.9
August	573.5	445.3	188.7	137.8	118.3	40.5	9.7	23.6	1,537.4
September	575.5	449.1	189.3	138.6	118.6	40.3	9.9	24.0	1,545.5
October	579.6	452.5	190.6	139.6	119.4	40.2	9.9	24.3	1,556.1
November	589.6	457.9	191.9	141.3	120.5	40.5	10.0	25.0	1,576.7
December	588.8	456.6	193.2	141.9	118.3	41.4	9.7	24.7	1,574.5
1973 —									
January	580.7	r452.8	r193.6	141.3	r118.1	40.9	9.7	25.0	r1,562.0
February	589.5	459.5	194.3	143.0	121.8	40.9	9.9	25.4	1,584.4
PERSONS									
1971 —									
February	1,678.9	1,258.2	561.5	407.3	341.0	130.0	28.5	59.7	4,465.1
1972 —									
February (b)	1,680.1	1,261.4	575.5	407.5	345.9	129.1	29.8	62.5	4,491.8
August	r1,672.9	1,264.7	590.7	407.4	339.7	129.4	30.5	64.6	r4,499.9
September	r1,674.9	1,272.2	591.7	408.7	340.3	128.9	30.4	65.5	r4,512.6
October	r1,680.5	1,278.0	r592.4	411.0	341.1	128.3	30.5	66.1	r4,527.9
November	r1,700.7	1,290.3	r594.8	414.4	344.2	129.6	30.7	67.5	r4,572.1
December	r1,703.6	1,293.5	r593.9	417.6	343.0	131.2	29.8	67.2	r4,579.6
1973 —									
January	r1,691.3	r1,288.1	r597.4	418.2	r342.8	131.2	29.7	67.6	r4,566.2
February	1,706.8	1,296.4	601.3	422.4	348.9	131.3	30.4	68.3	4,605.8

(a) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas. (b) Excludes trainee teachers (see paragraph 19 on page 3).

TABLE 3. — CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES, AUSTRALIA
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(’000)

	Males			Females			Persons		
	1972 February	1973 January	1973 February	1972 February	1973 January	1973 February	1972 February	1973 January	1973 February
PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES									
Forestry, fishing and trapping	14.3	14.5	14.4	0.6	0.6	0.6	14.9	15.1	15.0
Mining and quarrying	69.8	r70.1	70.4	4.7	4.6	4.7	74.5	r74.7	75.0
Coal mining	20.1	19.7	19.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	20.5	20.1	19.9
Other mining and quarrying	49.7	r50.4	50.8	4.3	4.3	4.3	54.0	r54.6	55.1
Manufacturing — original	1,027.4	r1,026.8	1,030.7	355.6	350.3	356.7	1,382.9	r1,377.1	1,387.4
<i>seasonally adj. (a)</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,377.1	1,380.5	1,381.7
Cement, bricks, etc.	49.5	48.9	49.1	6.3	6.4	6.5	55.7	55.3	55.5
Products of petroleum and coal	8.8	8.4	8.3	0.5	0.5	0.5	9.3	8.8	8.8
Founding, engineering, metal working	346.3	339.8	340.6	76.4	75.8	77.3	422.7	415.6	417.9
Extracting, refining, founding, etc., (b)									
(i) Ferrous	70.3	70.0	69.6	5.4	5.3	5.4	75.7	75.3	74.9
(ii) Non-ferrous	20.3	20.0	20.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	22.4	22.1	22.3
Metal products	103.2	101.3	101.7	23.0	22.9	23.4	126.3	124.2	125.1
Machinery and parts	99.2	r98.0	98.8	16.6	16.8	16.9	115.8	r114.7	115.6
Electronic and electrical apparatus and machinery	53.3	50.7	50.4	29.2	28.7	29.5	82.5	79.3	79.9
Ships, vehicles, etc.	172.7	175.6	176.6	20.5	21.1	21.6	193.2	196.7	198.1
Yarns, textiles, etc.	28.5	28.4	28.5	22.7	22.0	22.2	51.2	50.4	50.6
Clothing and knitted goods	17.4	17.0	17.0	73.9	71.9	72.0	91.4	88.9	89.0
Boots, shoes and accessories	8.8	8.2	8.1	10.4	9.4	9.3	19.2	17.5	17.4
Food, drink and tobacco	146.6	149.2	150.4	57.1	54.0	57.2	203.7	203.2	207.6
Sawmilling and wood products	44.2	45.0	45.0	4.5	4.7	4.8	48.7	49.6	49.8
Furniture and fittings, etc.	24.7	25.8	26.0	6.5	7.2	7.3	31.2	33.0	33.3
Paper, printing, bookbinding, photography	80.3	80.3	80.7	32.0	32.2	32.5	112.3	112.5	113.2
Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, etc.	44.1	r44.6	44.6	16.1	16.0	16.2	60.2	r60.7	60.8
Rubber goods	17.0	16.5	16.7	4.2	4.0	4.0	21.2	20.5	20.7
Other manufacturing	38.7	39.1	39.1	24.3	25.2	25.5	63.0	64.3	64.6
Electricity, gas, water and sanitary services	108.2	110.4	110.4	8.5	8.5	8.6	116.7	118.9	119.0
Gas and electricity	69.5	68.7	68.5	6.4	6.3	6.3	75.8	75.0	74.8
Water supply, sewerage, etc.	38.7	41.8	41.9	2.2	2.2	2.3	40.9	44.0	44.2
Building and construction	362.4	r360.6	366.2	18.0	18.7	18.9	380.5	r379.4	385.1
Transport and storage	221.9	r220.7	221.4	28.5	28.9	28.9	250.4	r249.5	250.4
Road transport and storage	98.8	r100.5	100.8	12.8	13.1	13.2	111.6	r113.6	114.0
Shipping and stevedoring	38.6	36.0	36.3	3.1	3.0	3.0	41.7	38.9	39.3
Rail transport	58.0	57.6	57.7	6.2	6.1	6.1	64.2	63.7	63.7
Air transport	26.4	26.6	26.7	6.5	6.7	6.7	32.9	33.3	33.4
Communication	93.7	95.3	96.2	28.0	28.6	28.4	121.6	123.9	124.6
Finance and property	124.0	126.6	128.0	94.7	96.7	98.1	218.7	223.4	226.1
Banking	56.1	55.5	56.3	36.8	37.2	38.1	92.9	92.8	94.4
Other finance and property	68.0	71.1	71.7	57.9	59.5	60.0	125.9	130.6	131.7
Commerce — original	428.7	442.0	442.1	325.1	r342.0	342.3	753.8	r784.1	784.4
<i>seasonally adj. (a)</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	755.3	r781.9	785.9
Wholesale trade	186.4	187.8	188.6	79.7	r79.8	80.4	266.1	r267.6	269.0
Primary produce dealing, etc.	24.7	23.8	23.0	6.8	6.6	6.6	31.5	30.3	29.6
Retail trade	217.6	230.5	230.4	238.6	255.7	255.4	456.2	486.1	485.8
Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	140.9	145.7	146.3	66.3	68.7	69.4	207.1	214.4	215.7
Community and business services (c)	259.0	r266.3	270.6	425.7	440.8	453.0	684.7	r707.1	723.6
Law, order and public safety	42.5	43.8	44.3	23.9	26.4	27.0	66.4	70.2	71.3
Religion and social welfare	20.5	20.7	20.8	22.4	23.0	23.1	42.8	43.8	43.8
Health, hospitals, etc.	48.9	51.5	51.5	200.8	212.5	215.8	249.7	264.0	267.3
Education (c)	99.8	102.0	105.4	135.9	134.1	141.9	235.7	236.1	247.3
Other services	47.3	r48.3	48.6	42.8	44.8	45.2	90.1	r93.0	93.8
Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal service, etc.	118.7	r125.2	124.8	167.2	173.4	174.7	285.9	r298.6	299.5
Amusement, sport and recreation	36.4	38.5	38.2	22.2	21.9	22.0	58.6	60.5	60.2
Hotels, personal service, etc.	82.3	r86.6	86.6	145.0	151.5	152.8	227.3	r238.0	239.4
All industry groups (c)	2,968.9	r3,004.2	3,021.4	1,522.9	1,561.9	1,584.4	4,491.8	r4,566.2	4,605.8
PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT									
Private — original	2,140.7	r2,157.6	2,167.0	1,239.8	1,276.3	1,290.4	3,380.5	r3,434.1	3,457.4
<i>seasonally adj. (a)</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,371.5	r3,439.7	3,448.2
Government (c)(d) — original	828.2	846.6	854.4	283.1	285.5	294.0	1,111.3	1,132.1	1,148.4
<i>seasonally adj. (a)</i>	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,106.6	1,135.4	1,143.5

(a) See note (a) to Table 1. (b) Includes manufacture of metal rods, bars, sheets, pipes, tubes and wire (except electric). (c) Excludes trainee teachers (see paragraph 19 on page 3). (d) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6 on page 2).

TABLE 4. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT :
STATES
MALES, FEBRUARY 1973
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES							
Forestry, fishing and trapping	3.3	3.2	3.9	0.8	1.5	1.2	14.4
Mining and quarrying	25.3	4.3	15.0	3.1	15.4	4.9	70.4
Manufacturing	388.7	332.7	108.5	110.1	57.5	27.3	1,030.7
Cement, bricks, etc.	20.3	12.7	6.2	4.1	4.0	1.1	49.1
Founding, engineering, etc.	152.0	95.8	27.6	39.3	18.1	6.8	340.6
Ships, vehicles, etc.	54.7	62.3	18.9	28.5	9.0	2.3	176.6
Yarns, textiles, etc.	7.3	16.2	1.0	1.6	0.5	1.7	28.5
Clothing and knitted goods	5.6	9.7	0.8	0.6	0.2	0.1	17.0
Food, drink and tobacco	46.8	47.5	27.4	13.8	10.0	4.3	150.4
Sawmilling and wood products	13.9	9.9	7.8	5.4	4.3	3.5	45.0
Paper, printing, bookbinding, photography	30.1	26.3	7.4	5.5	4.1	5.7	80.7
Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, etc.	21.1	15.7	2.2	2.6	2.1	0.8	44.6
Other manufacturing	36.8	36.5	9.1	8.6	5.6	1.1	98.2
Electricity, gas, water and sanitary services	42.3	32.1	11.1	12.1	7.9	3.8	110.4
Building and construction	133.1	83.2	67.7	32.2	27.3	11.3	366.2
Transport and storage	84.0	55.5	32.5	18.3	21.1	6.9	221.4
Road transport and storage	39.3	25.5	13.5	8.4	9.6	3.0	100.8
Shipping and stevedoring	12.7	9.0	5.1	3.2	3.9	2.0	36.3
Rail and air transport	32.0	20.9	13.9	6.7	7.6	1.9	84.4
Communication	34.4	27.3	13.7	8.5	7.8	2.9	96.2
Finance and property	49.9	37.0	16.4	10.6	9.2	3.2	128.0
Banking	21.2	16.7	7.0	4.9	4.2	1.5	56.3
Other	28.7	20.3	9.4	5.7	5.0	1.7	71.7
Commerce	161.7	122.7	65.2	40.0	34.9	12.1	442.1
Retail trade	85.0	63.9	34.9	20.3	16.7	6.2	230.4
Wholesale and other commerce	76.7	58.8	30.3	19.7	18.2	5.8	211.6
Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	46.7	34.9	20.8	10.2	12.1	4.6	146.3
Community and business services (b)	94.9	72.8	37.8	24.1	22.8	8.2	270.6
Health, hospitals, etc.	18.4	13.5	7.5	4.6	4.7	1.8	51.5
Education (b)	34.7	30.7	14.4	9.7	8.7	3.3	105.4
Other (c)	41.8	28.6	15.9	9.8	9.5	3.1	113.6
Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal service, etc.	53.0	31.3	14.3	9.5	9.5	4.1	124.8
All industry groups (b)	1,117.3	836.9	407.0	279.4	227.1	90.4	3,021.4
PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT							
Private	815.8	622.6	285.8	195.9	153.5	63.4	2,167.0
Government (d)	301.5	214.3	121.2	83.5	73.6	27.0	854.4
Commonwealth	84.0	71.1	26.4	23.1	15.5	5.4	258.6
State (e)	166.8	124.5	75.3	53.8	51.4	18.7	490.6
Local (f)	50.7	18.6	19.5	6.6	6.7	2.9	105.2

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TABLE 4. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT :
STATES - continued
FEMALES, FEBRUARY 1973
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
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	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES							
Forestry, fishing and trapping	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.6
Mining and quarrying	1.1	0.6	1.1	0.2	1.3	0.2	4.7
Manufacturing	136.2	142.1	27.1	30.3	13.2	6.5	356.7
Cement, bricks, etc.	2.8	2.2	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.1	6.5
Founding, engineering, etc.	35.8	25.2	4.1	8.7	2.5	0.7	77.3
Ships, vehicles, etc.	6.8	9.4	1.6	2.8	0.7	0.2	21.6
Yarns, textiles, etc.	5.9	11.4	1.3	1.2	0.2	2.1	22.2
Clothing and knitted goods	26.3	37.0	4.4	2.8	1.3	0.2	72.0
Food, drink and tobacco	17.6	19.6	7.5	6.7	4.1	1.6	57.2
Sawmilling and wood products	1.5	1.1	1.1	0.6	0.3	0.2	4.8
Paper, printing, bookbinding, photography	13.1	10.6	3.1	2.3	1.7	1.1	32.5
Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, etc.	9.2	5.2	0.6	0.6	0.4	..	16.2
Other manufacturing	17.3	20.3	2.8	4.2	1.5	0.3	46.6
Electricity, gas, water and sanitary services	3.5	2.7	1.0	0.6	0.5	0.3	8.6
Building and construction	7.3	4.5	3.0	1.4	1.8	0.3	18.9
Transport and storage	12.5	7.3	3.8	2.3	2.0	0.5	28.9
Road transport and storage	5.4	3.6	1.8	1.1	0.9	0.3	13.2
Shipping and stevedoring	1.3	0.7	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.1	3.0
Rail and air transport	5.8	3.0	1.6	1.0	0.7	0.2	12.8
Communication	10.2	8.0	3.9	2.4	2.4	0.9	28.4
Finance and property	40.4	25.9	13.0	7.6	7.5	2.2	98.1
Banking	16.3	9.4	5.0	2.7	3.2	0.9	38.1
Other	24.2	16.5	8.0	4.9	4.3	1.3	60.0
Commerce	128.6	90.5	47.3	32.5	29.6	8.5	342.3
Retail trade	93.7	66.0	34.4	25.3	22.1	7.1	255.4
Wholesale and other commerce	34.9	24.5	10.9	7.2	7.4	1.4	86.9
Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	23.8	15.2	8.2	4.8	5.2	2.0	69.4
Community and business services (b)	162.9	121.5	58.1	44.6	41.5	13.2	453.0
Health, hospitals, etc.	79.4	53.8	27.7	23.4	20.9	6.8	215.8
Education (b)	46.8	41.6	17.4	14.1	12.9	4.2	141.9
Other (c)	36.7	26.2	13.0	7.1	7.8	2.2	95.3
Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal service, etc.	63.0	41.1	27.8	16.3	16.8	6.1	174.7
All industry groups (b)	589.5	459.5	194.3	143.0	121.8	40.9	1,584.4
PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT							
Private	485.8	389.4	160.2	110.9	95.4	32.3	1,290.4
Government (d)	103.7	70.1	34.1	32.1	26.4	8.6	294.0
Commonwealth	30.1	23.1	9.0	6.2	5.5	1.7	94.8
State (e)	67.2	43.0	23.2	24.9	19.6	6.6	184.5
Local (f)	6.5	4.0	1.9	0.9	1.2	0.4	14.8

(a) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Excludes trainee teachers (see paragraph 19 on page 3). (c) Comprises law, order and public safety; religion and social welfare; and community and business services. (d) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6 on page 2). Excludes trainee teachers (see page 3, paragraph 19). (e) See footnote (e), page 8. (f) See footnote (f), page 8.

TABLE 4. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT :
STATES - continued
PERSONS, FEBRUARY 1973
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
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	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES							
Forestry, fishing and trapping	3.4	3.3	4.0	0.9	1.6	1.2	15.0
Mining and quarrying	26.4	4.9	16.1	3.3	16.7	5.1	75.0
Manufacturing	524.9	474.8	135.5	140.4	70.7	33.8	1,387.4
Cement, bricks, etc.	23.1	15.0	6.6	4.7	4.3	1.2	55.5
Founding, engineering, etc.	187.8	121.0	31.8	48.0	20.6	7.6	417.9
Ships, vehicles, etc.	61.4	71.7	20.5	31.3	9.7	2.5	198.1
Yarns, textiles, etc.	13.2	27.6	2.3	2.9	0.7	3.8	50.6
Clothing and knitted goods	31.9	46.7	5.2	3.4	1.5	0.3	89.0
Food, drink and tobacco	64.4	67.0	34.9	20.5	13.9	5.9	207.6
Sawmilling and wood products	15.4	10.9	8.9	6.0	4.6	3.7	49.8
Paper, printing, bookbinding, photography	43.2	36.9	10.6	7.7	5.8	6.7	113.2
Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, etc.	30.3	21.0	2.9	3.3	2.5	0.8	60.8
Other manufacturing	54.1	56.8	12.0	12.7	7.1	1.4	144.8
Electricity, gas, water and sanitary services	45.8	34.7	12.1	12.6	8.4	4.1	119.0
Building and construction	140.4	87.8	70.7	33.6	29.1	11.5	385.1
Transport and storage	96.5	62.8	36.3	20.6	23.1	7.5	250.4
Road transport and storage	44.7	29.2	15.3	9.4	10.5	3.3	114.0
Shipping and stevedoring	14.0	9.7	5.5	3.4	4.2	2.1	39.3
Rail and air transport	37.8	24.0	15.5	7.8	8.3	2.0	97.1
Communication	44.6	35.3	17.6	10.9	10.2	3.8	124.6
Finance and property	90.3	62.9	29.4	18.2	16.7	5.4	226.1
Banking	37.5	26.1	12.0	7.6	7.4	2.4	94.4
Other	52.8	36.8	17.4	10.6	9.3	3.1	131.7
Commerce	290.4	213.2	112.5	72.5	64.5	20.6	784.4
Retail trade	178.7	129.8	71.3	45.6	38.9	13.4	485.8
Wholesale and other commerce	111.6	83.3	41.2	26.9	25.6	7.2	298.6
Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	70.4	50.0	29.0	15.0	17.3	6.6	215.7
Community and business services (b)	257.8	194.3	95.9	68.8	64.3	21.5	723.6
Health, hospitals, etc.	97.9	67.3	35.2	28.0	25.6	8.6	267.3
Education (b)	81.4	72.3	31.8	23.8	21.6	7.6	247.3
Other (c)	78.5	54.7	28.8	16.9	17.2	5.2	208.9
Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal service, etc.	116.0	72.4	42.2	25.8	26.3	10.2	299.5
All industry groups (b)	1,706.8	1,296.4	601.3	422.4	348.9	131.3	4,605.8
PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT							
Private	1,301.6	1,012.1	446.0	306.8	248.9	95.7	3,457.4
Government (d)	405.2	284.3	155.3	115.6	100.0	35.6	1,148.4
Commonwealth	114.1	94.2	35.4	29.4	21.0	7.1	353.4
State (e)	234.0	167.5	98.5	78.7	71.1	25.2	675.1
Local (f)	57.1	22.6	21.3	7.5	7.9	3.3	120.0

(a) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (b) Excludes trainee teachers (see paragraph 19 on page 3). (c) Comprises law, order and public safety; religion and social welfare; and other community and business services. (d) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6 on page 2). Excludes trainee teachers (see page 3, paragraph 19). (e) Excludes employees engaged in agriculture (3.0 thousand persons in December 1972). (f) Excludes employees in private homes of Government emergency housekeeper services, and in agriculture (together comprising 1.8 thousand persons in December 1972).

TABLE 5. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT,
NORTHERN TERRITORY
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})

Month	Mining and quarrying	Manu- facturing	Building and const- ruction	Trans- port and storage	Commerce	Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	Comm- unity and business services	Other industries	Total	Private	Govern- ment (a)
MALES											
1972 -											
November	2.2	1.7	4.3	2.0	1.3	2.2	4.1	2.9	20.7	12.8	7.9
December	2.2	1.5	4.1	1.9	1.4	2.1	4.0	2.9	20.1	12.2	7.9
1973 -											
January	2.2	1.4	4.1	2.0	1.3	2.1	4.1	2.8	20.0	12.2	7.8
February	2.3	1.4	4.3	2.0	1.3	2.2	4.1	2.8	20.5	12.5	8.0
FEMALES											
1972 -											
November	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.4	1.7	1.4	3.7	2.0	10.0	6.2	3.8
December	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	1.7	1.3	3.7	1.9	9.7	6.0	3.7
1973 -											
January	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.4	1.7	1.3	3.7	1.9	9.7	6.0	3.7
February	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.4	1.7	1.4	3.8	2.0	9.9	6.0	3.9
PERSONS											
1972 -											
November	2.4	2.0	4.5	2.4	3.1	3.6	7.8	4.9	30.7	19.0	11.7
December	2.3	1.8	4.3	2.3	3.1	3.4	7.7	4.8	29.8	18.2	11.6
1973 -											
January	2.3	1.7	4.4	2.4	3.0	3.4	7.8	4.8	29.7	18.1	11.6
February	2.4	1.7	4.6	2.3	3.0	3.6	8.0	4.8	30.4	18.5	(b)11.9

(a) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6 on page 2). (b) Includes 0.2 thousand local government employees (mainly males) the remainder being employees of Commonwealth government bodies.

TABLE 6. - CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES : PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES AND PRIVATE OR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT,
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY (a)
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})

Month	Manu- facturing	Building and construction	Commerce	Public authority activities (n.e.i.)	Community and business services	Amusement, hotels, cafes, personal services, etc.	Other industries	Total	Private	Common- wealth govern- ment (b)
MALES										
1972 -										
November	4.3	7.1	4.1	14.6	5.8	2.3	4.2	42.5	17.5	25.0
December	4.4	7.2	4.1	14.7	5.6	2.2	4.2	42.5	17.5	25.0
1973 -										
January	4.4	7.1	4.1	14.8	5.7	2.2	4.2	42.6	17.4	25.2
February	4.5	7.1	4.2	14.9	5.8	2.2	4.2	42.9	17.6	25.3
FEMALES										
1972 -										
November	1.1	0.4	3.7	8.5	7.3	2.4	1.8	25.0	10.2	14.8
December	1.1	0.4	3.7	8.4	7.1	2.3	1.8	24.7	10.1	14.6
1973 -										
January	1.1	0.4	3.6	8.7	7.2	2.3	1.8	25.0	10.1	14.9
February	1.1	0.4	3.6	8.8	7.3	2.3	1.8	25.4	10.2	15.2
PERSONS										
1972 -										
November	5.4	7.5	7.8	23.1	13.1	4.6	5.9	67.5	27.7	39.8
December	5.5	7.6	7.8	23.0	12.7	4.5	6.0	67.2	27.6	39.6
1973 -										
January	5.5	7.5	7.8	23.5	12.9	4.5	6.0	67.6	27.6	40.0
February	5.6	7.5	7.8	23.7	13.1	4.5	6.0	68.3	27.8	40.5

(a) Includes persons employed in the Australian Capital Territory who reside in adjoining areas. (b) Includes industrial as well as administrative employees (see paragraph 6 on page 2).

EMPLOYEES IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES

The series shown in Tables 7 and 8 below are obtained, by joint arrangement with the Department of Labour, from monthly surveys of practically all private factories with 100 or more employees and a large proportion of those with 50-100 employees. They generally provide an advance indicator for the subsequent estimates of employees in manufacturing industry.

Employers co-operating in the survey are asked to supply, as at the last-pay-day in the month, the number of employees in the factory or on the factory office staff whose employment is directly related to manufacture. Selling and distribution staff are excluded. Persons on strike, locked out or stood down as a result of an industrial dispute for the whole of the week ending on the date to which the employment figures relate are also excluded.

Levels of employment in food-processing, drink and tobacco factories are subject to seasonal and irregular fluctuations. In order to isolate these effects, separate statistics are provided on the movement in factories other than in food, drink and tobacco.

The list of factories included in the surveys is revised at the beginning of each year. It should accordingly be noted that a continuous monthly series on a uniform basis is available only from January of the previous year.

TABLE 7. — EMPLOYEES IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES : STATES

1973	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total
ALL INDUSTRIES							
Males —							
February	†185,688	†158,906	49,453	†63,409	22,338	16,740	†496,534
March	186,507	159,802	50,232	63,471	22,614	16,720	499,346
Females —							
February	65,161	66,957	12,321	16,768	4,205	4,791	170,203
March	65,655	67,560	12,871	16,703	4,351	4,801	171,941
Persons —							
February	†250,849	†225,863	61,774	†80,177	26,543	21,531	†666,737
March	252,162	227,362	63,103	80,174	26,965	21,521	671,287
ALL INDUSTRIES EXCLUDING FOOD, ETC.							
Males —							
February	†166,408	†132,263	33,508	†58,212	18,927	14,271	†423,589
March	167,383	133,623	33,408	58,543	19,105	14,281	426,343
Females —							
February	55,907	54,061	8,438	13,346	2,726	3,637	138,115
March	56,644	54,775	8,589	13,723	2,727	3,618	140,076
Persons —							
February	†222,315	†186,324	41,946	†71,558	21,653	17,908	†561,704
March	224,027	186,398	41,997	72,266	21,832	17,899	566,419

TABLE 8. — EMPLOYEES IN LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES : INDUSTRIES

1973	Building materials	Basic metals	Transportation equipment	Other metals manufactures	Chemicals and allied products	Clothing and textiles	Food, drink and tobacco	Other
Males —								
February	43,398	67,783	81,190	112,314	†21,614	31,481	72,945	65,809
March	43,335	67,549	81,762	112,885	23,776	31,366	73,003	65,670
Females —								
February	5,579	4,354	11,100	36,967	5,611	52,242	32,088	22,262
March	5,575	4,386	11,601	37,792	5,832	52,506	31,865	22,384
Persons —								
February	48,977	72,137	92,290	149,281	†27,225	83,723	105,033	88,071
March	48,910	71,935	93,363	150,677	29,608	83,872	104,868	88,054

2. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS

The tables in this section contain (a) estimates of the total number of persons unemployed, derived from the quarterly population survey, (b) the numbers registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service as unemployed, and (c) the number in receipt of unemployment benefit.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : POPULATION SURVEY ESTIMATES

The quarterly population survey is carried out on a sample basis throughout Australia in February, May, August and November each year. Interviews are conducted during a period of four weeks in the State capital cities and two weeks in other areas. Particulars of the numbers of persons employed or unemployed, and of the total labour force, are published each quarter in a mimeographed bulletin *The Labour Force* (Reference No. 6.20).

2. For purposes of the survey, unemployed persons are defined as all those who, during the whole of the week prior to the interview week, did no work at all and either :

- (a) did not have a job or business and were actively looking for work (including those who stated that they would have looked for work if they had not been temporarily ill or believed no work was available or had not already made definite arrangements to start work in a new job after survey week), or
- (b) had a job from which they were temporarily laid off without pay for the whole week.

3. Unemployed persons therefore comprise those looking for full-time work, those looking for part-time work and those temporarily laid off from either full-time or part-time jobs. This definition of unemployed persons conforms closely to that recommended by the Eighth International Conference of Labour Statisticians, Geneva, 1954.

4. Since the estimates are based on a sample, they may differ from the figures that would have been obtained from a complete census using the same questionnaires and procedures. There are about two chances in three that the differences would be less than 3,000 for total unemployed males, less than 2,500 for total unemployed females and less than 4,000 for total unemployed persons, and about nineteen chances in twenty that they would be less than twice these figures. Further details about the survey and the reliability of estimates will be found in the quarterly bulletin *The Labour Force* (Reference No. 6.20).

5. The sample estimates will differ from the number of persons registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service (see Table 10) as not employed, awaiting placement in full-time employment, for a number of reasons, including the following:

- (a) the survey estimates include persons looking for part-time work,
- (b) they exclude persons who did any work at all during the survey week,
- (c) they represent averages over a period (see paragraph 1), whereas the numbers registered refer to a particular day,
- (d) they are subject to sampling variability (see paragraph 4),
- (e) some unemployed persons (particularly females) do not register with the Commonwealth Employment Service, and,
- (f) some persons registered as unemployed who find jobs may not notify the Commonwealth Employment Service at once that they have done so.

TABLE 9. - UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (a)

Month	Looking for		Total		Age (years)		Per cent of labour force	
	Full-time work ('000)	Part-time work ('000)	Original ('000)	Seasonally adjusted (b) ('000)	15-19 ('000)	20 and over ('000)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)
MALES								
1970 -								
February	37.1	*	39.1	34.4	13.6	25.4	1.1	0.9
1971 -								
February	39.1	*	41.7	36.8	14.2	27.5	1.1	1.0
May	41.5	*	44.0	44.6	12.0	32.0	1.2	1.2
August	37.6	*	39.3	45.2	10.2	29.2	1.1	1.2
November	53.1	*	57.0	56.1	22.2	34.8	1.5	1.5
1972 -								
February	69.6	5.2	74.8	66.4	24.0	50.8	2.0	1.8
May	58.6	*	61.0	61.8	14.6	46.4	1.6	1.6
August	63.3	4.1	67.4	77.7	17.5	49.9	1.8	2.1
November (c)	63.0	7.7	70.7	69.3	29.2	41.6	1.9	1.8
1973 -								
February (c)	61.9	6.0	67.9	60.4	23.1	44.8	1.8	1.6
FEMALES								
1970 -								
February	33.2	14.2	47.4	38.0	15.6	31.8	2.8	2.2
1971 -								
February	35.9	15.4	51.3	40.8	16.7	34.6	2.9	2.3
May	26.7	11.9	38.7	40.0	10.1	28.6	2.2	2.2
August	24.2	11.6	35.8	43.0	10.7	25.0	2.0	2.4
November	31.7	11.0	42.7	45.4	17.8	24.8	2.4	2.5
1972 -								
February	45.4	15.6	61.0	48.3	21.4	39.7	3.4	2.7
May	37.1	12.1	49.2	50.9	14.7	34.4	2.7	2.8
August	36.8	17.2	53.9	64.9	16.4	37.6	2.9	3.5
November (c)	42.7	22.8	65.5	69.7	29.2	36.2	3.4	3.7
1973 -								
February (c)	50.3	25.4	75.6	59.7	24.4	51.3	4.0	3.1
PERSONS								
1970 -								
February	70.3	16.2	86.4	72.2	29.2	57.2	1.6	1.4
1971 -								
February	75.1	17.9	93.0	77.6	30.9	62.1	1.7	1.4
May	68.3	14.4	82.7	84.9	22.1	60.6	1.5	1.5
August	61.8	13.3	75.1	88.2	20.9	54.2	1.4	1.6
November	84.8	14.9	99.7	102.0	40.1	59.6	1.8	1.9
1972 -								
February	115.1	20.8	135.8	113.3	45.4	90.4	2.4	2.0
May	95.7	14.5	110.2	113.3	29.4	80.8	2.0	2.0
August	100.0	21.3	121.3	142.8	33.9	87.5	2.2	2.5
November (c)	105.7	30.5	136.2	139.1	58.4	77.8	2.4	2.4
1973 -								
February (c)	112.2	31.4	143.5	119.8	47.5	96.1	2.5	2.1

(a) Aged 15 years and over. For definition, see page 11. (b) For details of methods used in seasonally adjusting these series see *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1972* (Reference No. 1.10). (c) Preliminary estimates, subject to revision. * Estimates less than 4,000 are not published, because they would be subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes. Although figures for these small components can be derived, they should not be regarded as reliable.

TABLE 10. - REGISTERED UNEMPLOYED (a)
(Source : Department of Labour)

Date (a)	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia			
							Excluding school leavers (d)		Total	
							Original	Seasonally adjusted (e)	Original	Seasonally adjusted (e)
MALES										
1971 -										
March	11,694	9,538	8,540	4,598	3,793	1,013	36,462	37,617	39,176	42,472
1972 -										
February	26,357	21,702	11,167	8,505	8,957	2,211	66,754	59,904	78,899	68,245
March	21,673	16,252	9,698	7,579	7,634	1,619	59,311	61,292	64,455	70,655
April	21,508	15,640	7,797	7,304	7,301	1,689	58,160	58,313	61,239	69,324
May	22,960	16,736	7,687	7,152	8,383	1,901	62,779	59,544	64,819	69,308
June	23,267	17,334	7,488	8,603	9,012	2,113	66,026	62,252	67,817	72,648
July	23,569	17,537	6,593	8,995	9,688	2,368	66,858	66,008	68,750	77,984
August	23,526	17,535	5,522	9,703	9,668	2,468	66,448	71,158	68,422	83,903
September	20,380	16,786	5,158	8,533	8,725	2,319	59,970	70,082	61,901	81,785
October	19,039	14,700	5,699	7,429	7,314	2,232	54,384	66,536	56,413	77,004
November	32,382	14,721	9,010	7,118	7,159	3,139	53,614	63,163	73,529	73,970
December	33,480	23,988	11,718	11,242	8,582	3,349	59,509	56,325	92,359	65,065
1973 -										
January	31,260	23,882	12,600	10,348	9,573	3,261	66,290	51,817	90,924	59,883
February	21,431	16,656	9,846	7,398	8,035	2,634	55,117	49,414	66,000	56,886
March	16,709	13,516	7,259	6,308	6,003	1,825	47,021	48,631	51,620	57,076
FEMALES										
1971 -										
March	8,617	5,976	4,773	3,142	2,136	949	22,811	20,344	25,593	23,801
1972 -										
February	11,878	10,020	5,559	4,209	3,151	1,433	27,244	24,174	36,250	29,762
March	11,208	8,807	5,094	3,783	3,217	1,313	29,157	25,986	33,422	31,432
April	10,908	8,521	4,748	3,666	2,850	1,361	29,363	26,272	32,054	32,046
May	11,525	8,120	4,147	3,719	2,938	1,367	29,942	27,126	31,816	32,760
June	10,909	8,096	4,205	3,725	3,064	1,385	29,743	27,120	31,384	33,368
July	10,751	7,599	3,759	3,827	3,158	1,336	28,874	28,480	30,430	35,278
August	10,108	7,321	3,120	3,732	2,876	1,226	26,809	29,412	28,383	36,922
September	9,389	7,422	2,894	3,518	2,582	1,171	25,380	28,329	26,976	35,924
October	9,647	6,544	2,989	3,216	2,524	1,098	24,289	27,240	26,018	34,436
November	17,273	7,137	4,583	3,330	2,709	2,222	25,243	28,043	37,254	36,251
December	16,717	12,179	4,771	5,552	2,887	2,304	23,519	29,461	44,410	35,693
1973 -										
January	16,420	12,022	5,659	5,383	3,291	2,048	28,485	27,906	44,823	33,667
February	13,299	10,141	5,300	3,891	3,373	1,841	29,288	25,989	37,845	31,326
March	11,641	8,550	4,731	3,493	3,056	1,494	28,402	25,305	32,965	31,213
PERSONS										
1971 -										
March	20,311	15,514	13,313	7,740	5,929	1,962	59,273	57,644	64,769	65,692
1972 -										
February	38,235	31,722	16,726	12,714	12,108	3,644	93,998	83,861	115,149	97,664
March	32,881	25,059	14,792	11,362	10,851	2,932	88,468	86,069	97,877	100,201
April	32,416	24,161	12,545	10,970	10,151	3,050	87,523	83,918	93,293	99,433
May	34,485	24,856	11,834	10,871	11,321	3,268	92,721	86,320	96,635	100,831
June	34,176	25,430	11,693	12,328	12,076	3,498	95,769	89,053	99,201	104,929
July	34,320	25,136	10,352	12,822	12,846	3,704	95,732	94,311	99,180	112,290
August	33,634	24,856	8,642	13,435	12,544	3,694	93,257	100,425	96,805	120,053
September	29,769	24,208	8,052	12,051	11,307	3,490	85,350	99,310	88,877	118,288
October	28,686	21,244	8,688	10,645	9,838	3,330	78,673	93,243	82,431	110,778
November	49,655	21,858	13,593	10,448	9,868	5,361	78,857	91,001	110,783	110,197
December	50,197	36,167	16,489	16,794	11,469	5,653	83,028	85,806	136,769	100,929
1973 -										
January	47,680	35,904	18,259	15,731	12,864	5,309	94,775	80,540	135,747	94,435
February	34,730	26,797	15,146	11,289	11,408	4,475	84,405	75,247	103,845	87,973
March	28,350	22,066	11,990	9,801	9,059	3,319	75,423	73,392	84,585	87,332

(a) Comprises all persons who were still registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service (C.E.S.) at the Friday nearest the end of the month, who claimed when registering that they were not employed, and who were seeking full-time employment, i.e. 35 hours or more per week. They include persons referred to employers but whose employment was still unconfirmed, and persons who had recently obtained employment without notifying the C.E.S. All recipients of unemployment benefit are included. (See Table 11). (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. (d) School-leavers comprise all persons under the age of 21 who, at the time of registering with the C.E.S., (i) had ceased full-time primary or secondary education within the previous three months; or (ii) were still at school but notified the C.E.S. that they would leave school before the end of the school year if a full-time job were available. (e) See note (b) to Table 9.

TABLE 11. — PERSONS RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (a)
(Source : Department of Social Security)

Month (a)	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia	
									Original	Seasonally adjusted (b)
MALES										
1971 -										
March	2,381	2,124	3,551	1,343	697	170	6	22	10,294	11,035
1972 -										
February	7,643	8,385	4,832	3,220	2,691	698	79	68	27,616	25,372
March	8,324	6,971	4,514	3,032	3,162	620	84	68	26,775	28,619
April	8,439	6,980	3,433	3,016	3,220	647	36	51	25,822	27,068
May	7,910	7,127	3,276	3,208	3,647	758	25	51	26,002	26,183
June	9,331	8,176	3,354	3,528	4,836	1,087	24	56	30,392	29,307
July	10,139	8,828	2,712	4,052	5,019	1,297	93	56	32,196	33,327
August	9,986	8,778	2,281	4,223	5,646	1,299	79	46	32,338	37,256
September	8,791	8,216	2,053	3,569	4,724	1,265	50	25	28,693	36,055
October	7,636	6,759	1,753	2,761	3,778	1,164	23	22	23,896	32,741
November	7,808	6,434	2,808	2,480	3,173	1,184	46	27	23,960	30,173
December	9,510	9,347	5,172	4,388	4,746	1,458	46	86	34,753	23,322
1973 -										
January	9,589	9,201	5,463	3,569	4,545	1,558	94	65	34,084	25,298
February	7,378	6,783	4,726	2,284	3,748	1,468	73	63	26,523	24,397
March	6,255	6,296	3,592	1,820	2,874	1,064	49	41	21,991	23,472
FEMALES										
1971 -										
March	1,647	1,077	1,419	663	251	132	1	20	5,210	4,766
1972 -										
February	2,856	2,757	1,641	1,395	559	446	4	29	9,687	8,646
March	3,274	2,968	1,938	1,400	752	493	2	37	10,864	9,939
April	3,433	2,803	1,724	1,371	814	544	3	22	10,714	10,036
May	3,157	2,516	1,460	1,339	832	520	5	19	9,848	9,562
June	3,929	2,738	1,528	1,363	987	610	2	32	11,189	10,905
July	3,744	2,733	1,281	1,399	957	625	12	32	10,783	11,086
August	3,616	2,513	1,081	1,346	1,014	555	1	26	10,152	11,693
September	3,258	2,322	1,020	1,238	896	548	6	11	9,299	11,608
October	3,021	2,095	966	1,179	751	534	1	11	8,558	11,198
November	4,057	2,258	1,171	1,158	732	695	4	14	10,089	11,423
December	4,510	3,194	1,531	1,753	1,057	756	6	38	12,845	10,833
1973 -										
January	4,774	3,675	1,919	1,942	1,170	1,014	3	41	14,538	12,241
February	4,537	3,114	1,946	1,606	1,121	971	2	48	13,345	11,924
March	4,383	3,141	1,777	1,287	1,075	817	2	38	12,520	11,454
PERSONS										
1971 -										
March	4,028	3,201	4,970	2,006	948	302	7	42	15,504	15,741
1972 -										
February	10,499	11,142	6,473	4,615	3,250	1,144	83	97	37,303	33,776
March	11,598	9,939	6,452	4,432	3,914	1,113	86	105	37,639	38,153
April	11,872	9,783	5,157	4,387	4,034	1,191	39	73	36,536	36,793
May	11,067	9,643	4,736	4,547	4,479	1,278	30	70	35,850	35,696
June	13,260	10,914	4,882	4,891	5,823	1,697	26	88	41,581	40,268
July	13,883	11,561	3,993	5,451	5,976	1,922	105	88	42,979	44,418
August	13,602	11,291	3,362	5,569	6,660	1,854	80	72	42,490	48,961
September	12,049	10,538	3,073	4,807	5,620	1,813	56	36	37,992	47,175
October	10,657	8,854	2,719	3,940	4,529	1,698	24	33	32,454	43,791
November	11,865	8,692	3,979	3,638	3,905	1,879	50	41	34,049	41,424
December	14,020	12,541	6,703	6,141	5,803	2,214	52	124	47,598	34,519
1973 -										
January	14,363	12,876	7,382	5,511	5,715	2,572	97	106	48,622	37,516
February	11,915	9,897	6,672	3,890	4,869	2,439	75	111	39,868	36,152
March	10,638	9,437	5,369	3,107	3,949	1,881	51	79	34,511	34,954

(a) Number on benefit at Saturday nearest the end of the month. (b) See note (b) to Table 9.

3. - JOB VACANCIES

TABLE 12. - VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH THE COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE (a)
(Source : Department of Labour)

Date	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia	
							Original	Seasonally adjusted (d)
VACANCIES FOR MALES								
1971 -								
March	11,257	5,990	1,826	1,880	2,462	698	24,113	23,683
1972 -								
February	7,306	5,806	1,609	1,700	1,231	662	18,314	16,417
March	5,343	5,412	1,644	1,751	1,178	630	15,958	15,624
April	5,042	4,666	2,050	1,641	1,218	592	15,209	17,126
May	5,243	3,761	1,758	1,490	1,048	550	13,850	16,914
June	4,948	3,710	1,765	1,206	926	485	13,040	17,260
July	4,830	3,651	1,931	1,495	936	488	13,331	17,029
August	5,085	3,826	2,137	1,216	1,019	498	13,781	16,641
September	6,548	4,581	2,412	1,509	1,192	543	16,785	18,398
October	8,125	5,512	2,514	1,756	1,654	549	20,110	19,164
November	9,355	6,158	2,476	1,779	1,909	978	22,655	18,683
December	10,802	7,159	2,114	2,756	1,735	1,101	25,667	19,896
1973 -								
January	13,720	12,670	2,587	2,898	2,029	1,066	34,970	26,411
February	12,895	10,787	2,833	3,299	2,331	1,253	33,398	29,895
March	12,640	9,129	3,249	3,378	2,752	750	31,898	31,181
VACANCIES FOR FEMALES								
1971 -								
March	6,770	6,154	1,231	1,007	1,042	220	16,424	17,617
1972 -								
February	5,602	6,460	1,197	1,216	757	327	15,559	14,977
March	4,633	5,476	1,241	958	590	247	13,145	14,111
April	4,373	5,313	1,277	845	704	265	12,777	14,613
May	3,901	4,913	1,151	905	736	254	11,860	13,806
June	3,747	4,701	1,259	887	638	214	11,446	14,035
July	4,138	4,922	1,463	748	649	228	12,148	13,928
August	5,195	5,493	1,742	883	758	306	14,377	14,931
September	5,833	5,948	1,831	1,009	949	233	15,803	15,353
October	6,354	6,283	1,837	1,024	1,049	273	16,820	14,660
November	5,664	6,127	1,744	1,051	960	307	15,853	14,352
December	5,964	7,567	1,394	1,434	904	474	17,737	14,896
1973 -								
January	7,425	8,423	1,735	1,411	965	486	20,445	17,416
February	6,908	7,628	1,675	1,606	997	468	19,282	18,532
March	6,843	7,282	1,784	1,475	948	260	18,592	19,967
TOTAL VACANCIES								
1971 -								
March	18,027	12,144	3,057	2,887	3,504	918	40,537	40,951
1972 -								
February	12,908	12,266	2,806	2,916	1,988	989	33,873	31,197
March	9,976	10,888	2,885	2,709	1,768	877	29,103	29,344
April	9,415	9,979	3,327	2,486	1,922	857	27,986	31,666
May	9,144	8,674	2,909	2,395	1,784	804	25,710	30,738
June	8,695	8,411	3,024	2,093	1,564	699	24,486	31,354
July	8,968	8,573	3,394	2,243	1,585	716	25,479	31,084
August	10,280	9,319	3,879	2,099	1,777	804	28,158	31,910
September	12,381	10,529	4,243	2,518	2,141	776	32,588	33,530
October	14,479	11,795	4,351	2,780	2,703	822	36,930	34,152
November	15,019	12,285	4,220	2,830	2,869	1,285	38,508	33,004
December	16,766	14,726	3,508	4,190	2,639	1,575	43,404	34,961
1973 -								
January	21,145	21,093	4,322	4,309	2,994	1,552	55,415	44,076
February	19,803	18,415	4,508	4,905	3,328	1,721	52,680	48,457
March	19,483	16,411	5,033	4,853	3,700	1,010	50,490	50,860

(a) Vacancies notified to the C.E.S. which were still unfilled at the Friday nearest the end of the month and which employers claimed could be filled if labour were supplied immediately or within the following month. Vacancies for full-time, part-time, permanent, temporary, and seasonal positions are included. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. (d) See note (b) to Table 9.

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